Gujarat under Industrial Infrastructure Upgradation Scheme (IIUS). Four proposals were sanctioned, four rejected and seven proposals could not be considered because the entire Tenth plan allocation of Rs.675 crore stood committed for the sanctioned projects.

**Export of sugar and wheat**

2298. SHRI M.V. MYSURA REDDY: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have fixed any target for exporting wheat and sugar to the various countries during the current year 2007-08;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the names of the countries which have sent their demand to India for exporting wheat and sugar to their countries?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH): (a) and (b) No, specific target for export of wheat and sugar to various countries during 2007-08 has been fixed by the Department of Commerce.

(c) Currently, the export of wheat from India is banned till 31st December, 2007. Only a quantity of 2000 MTs of wheat has been permitted to be exported during the year 2007-08 to Myanmar under friendly gesture to that country.

**Seting up of leather parks**

2299. MS. MABEL REBELLO: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to set up leather parks in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and what fiscal and financial incentives shall be given to these parks;

(c) whether the locations of such parks have been identified;

(d) if so, who identifies the locations and what is the size of such parks;

(e) who will be responsible for developing the infrastructure in such parks; and

(f) what will be the role and obligations of the respective State Governments?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL POLICY AND PROMOTION, MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) As per enclosed Statement (*See* below).

(e) Special Purpose Vehicle would be responsible for developing the infrastructure in the parks/complexes.

(f) The State Governments or its agencies may participate in the project by providing necessary assistance for infrastructure, power, water and other utilities.

***Statement***

*Details regarding leather parks in the country*

| Sl No. | Name of park/ complex | Central Government assistance | Location | Total Area | Implementing agency | Special Purpose Vehicle |
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| 1. | Footwear Component Park | Rs. 10 crores | Chennai<br>Location identified by Special Purpose Vehicle | 51.56 acres | Council for Leather Exports | Consortium of Shoe Manufacturers Private Limited |
| 2. | Footwear Complex | Rs. 14 crores | Chennai<br>Location identified by Special Purpose Vehicle | 153.65 acres | State Industries Promotion Corporation of Tamil Nadu Limited | State Industries Promotion Corporation of Tamil Nadu Limited |
| 3. | Leather Goods Export Park | Rs. 5 crores | Kolkata<br>Location identified by Special Purpose Vehicle | 50.687 acres | Council for Leather Exports | Indian Leather Products Association Infrastructure Development Foundation |

**Yoga related copyrights issued by USPTO**

2300. SHRI SYED AZEEZ PASHA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the US Patents and Trade marks Office (USPTO) has issued about 150 yoga related copyrights, 124 trade marks on yoga accessories and 2315 yoga trade marks so far and an application for grant of patents of yoga practiced in steam room is under its consideration;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government have taken up the matter with the US Government as it is a violation of rights over traditional knowledge; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of US Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL POLICY AND PROMOTION, MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR): (a) and (b) A search of United States Patent and Trade Mark Office (USPTO) database by the Controller General of Patents, Designs and Trade Marks shows that the USPTO has granted 168 patents mainly in yoga related devices and accessories, such as, yoga mattresses, grip block, yoga socks, devices for stretching etc. Similarly, there are about 3700 trademarks on yoga accessories which have been listed in the database of registered and pending trade